

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q76095

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For: PRINTING BY SWITCHING SUB-SCAN FEEDING BETWEEN MONOCHROMATIC
AND COLOR AREAS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/147,916 filed May 20, 2002; the disclosure
of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A printing method comprising the steps of:

providing a print head having